rent sectors such as Agriculture, Animal Husbandry, Health, Industry etc in the country. The Government have taken up a number of projects and programmes in these sectors.

(c) and (d) There is no proposal at present to set up a Technology Mission exclusively for the area of biotechnology. However, Biotechnology is involved in the implementation of the following technology missions:

(i) Immunization

(ii) Oilseeds

(iii) Dairy Technology

In the Technology Mission on Immunization, biotechnology is being used for production of vaccines and R&D for new and improved vaccines. In the Technology Mission on Oilseeds, biotechnology input is in the form tissue culture propogation of Oil Palm and Coconut. In the Dairy Technology Mission, new biotechnologies like Embryo Transfer Technology is being employed for cattle herd improvement.

Raids Conducted by the PFA Deptt, on Dry Fruit Dealers in Delhi

2128. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that on 2nd November, 1988, the Department of Prevention of Food Adulteration, Delhi had conducted raids on Dry Fruit wholesalers of Katra Ishwar Bhawan, Delhi;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that the raiding party had returned without lifting any sample from there;

(c) what are the reasons therefor; and

(d) the total number of Dry Fruit Wholesalers of Katra Ishwar Bhawan, Katra Tobacco and Kahri Baoli and out of them the number of shops raided during Diwali?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) to (c) As per the information received from Delhi Administration, on 2nd November, 1988, the enforcement staff of the Department of Prevention of Food Adulteration, Delhi Administration visited Katra Ishwar Bhawan and attempted to lift samples of dry fruits from one shop, but because of tremendous resistence from the traders, the sample could not be lifted. However, on a subsequent date one sample was lifted from the same shop.

(d) There are approximately 175 wholesalers of dry fruits in these market but during Diwali only one sample was lifted from the area and a prevention case has been made out against another shop owner.

Hospitals under the Central Government in the Country

2129. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Allopathic Homoeopathic, Ayurvedic and Unani hospitals under the Central Government, State-wise;

(b) the number of patients treated in these hospitals under the Central Government in the country during the last three years;

(c) the amount of annual Government grants sanctioned to these hospitals; and

(d) whether Government have any proposal of increasing the number of these hospitals during the Eighth Five Year Plan if so, what will be the increased number of these hospitals?